

**Monroe County Early Intervention Program
Providers in Partnership (PIP) Meeting
March 21, 2012**

Announcements / Sharing

LEAP distributed Urban Play flyers.

CCHS has an EI classroom in Fairport.

Agenda

EI

Info regarding NYSDOH BEI HRSA Research Project on autism

Information from Donna Noyes on project criteria and process circulated during meeting. Project will include 400 families of which 300 whose children have a Dx of ASD. The other 100 children will have either another Dx or developmental delay(s). Criteria includes child must be in NYEIS, minimum age of 2.5 years of age and is receiving EI services less than 6 months. We are one of 8-9 counties participating in this project. If you service a family involved in this project, the provider who is providing the most services may receive an inventory check list to fill out for this study/data collection.

Update regarding LEICC response to budget

Packets distributed. Letters totaled 3,000. 1,000 were from parents. Several providers also sent letters directly. The Assembly & Senate support the state taking over the fiscal responsibility of EI. They both do not support providers entering into agreement with 3rd party insurers, HMOs, MA and CHIP. The Assembly voted down all EI proposals except the state takeover of fiscal responsibility. The Senate is taking a tougher stance. The League of Women Voters is a strong advocate for children's services. The next LEICC meeting is 4/25 and any provider is welcomed to attend.

Supplemental Evaluation

If a developmental delay is identified, the child does not necessarily need additional services. The provider needs to include recommendations in the report. If a service is being added, a Family and Child Outcome would need to be written up.

Availability of motor services

Please let county know when you anticipate openings. For supervisors of providers, please review your staff caseload and determine if individual children still need the same frequency/intensity. If they can decrease d/t a child's progress, then they may have availability to pick up another child. CP Rochester, Liberty POST and BS have some current OT availability. CCHS, Liberty Post, BS, SSLC and S by S have some current PT availability.

Action: Deb will inform OSC's re current availability shared at today's meeting.

Make Up Policy

Policy was handed out at the last meeting. If the total number of a providers visit is 26, then the total number of make-up visits is also 26. If a provider needs more visit, the OSC and EIOD need to be contacted. If there is a change in what the parent wants re # of make-up visit, please contact the OSC.

Scripts

Please clarify Medicaid and EI requirements. Medicaid does not require frequency. EI requires frequency and duration. Is ICD required on the script per Medicaid? Who includes the ICD? Is basic and extended included or minutes? What if the child's health care provider refuses to include the ICD?

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Action: Barbara to check with BEI. Ann Marie to f/u with Medicaid.

Other

Chasa clarified the IFSP date and provider start date. There is some concern from a few providers that they do not get the paperwork in a timely manner. For example, sometimes it's two week after the IFSP. There is also a concern re how the provider finds out the parents' names. Answer: This is in NYEIS. Another concern is that providers don't always get a copy of the child's MDE report in the mail.

Action: County to look into timeliness of Initial IFSPs and mail out process.

Reminder

Please send updated rosters to Denise Edelman with staff's credentials listed as these are needed when SC's create SA's in NYEIS.

Preschool

BOCES 2 presentation regarding changes to their program

Barbara Martorana & Cathy Dewey-Napier. Cathy explained that BOCES is looking into new program approvals models d/t state is looking to decrease the number of 1 to 1 aides. If SED approves, this will go into effect September of this year. SED is currently in the rate setting phase. BOCES is proposing changing the integrated group model of 16-2-2 to 8-1-2(integrated) and 12-1-49 (self-contained). They are also proposing change in full day programming from 12-1-1 to 12-1-4 for increase in adult support. The intent is what is good for the children. Pulling kids out of classroom is not good for the individual child. Once approved there will be a process to determine which program is a good fit for each child. The west sides CPSEs are aware of BOCES proposal. BOPCES 1 is working with the east side CPSE's

CP Rochester has a 12-1-3 and which may challenging for parents to accept .SSLC has a 1/2 day program 8-1-3 and 8-1-2(integrated) classrooms.

SED will consider a 1 to 1 aide for a child's health reason only, such as blindness.

Question: How should the OSC's discuss with parents? Answer: OSC calls BOCES and offers a tour to the family. OSC can attend the tour and facilitate discussion.

Action item????

Medicaid in Education Training Phase 3/Year 3 for Relevant Employees.

The in person trainings are this month and 1 day in April. The on- line training is not available yet. **The training must be completed by September 1, 2012 per NYSED**

Action: Since it is the responsibility of the county to demonstrate that all "relevant employees" have taken the required training; please send the info to Denise Edelman's attention dedelman@monroecounty.gov

Agencies- please keep a list (labeled Medicaid In Education Training Year 2 and the name of your agency at the top) of all relevant employees and include the following columns: Last name, first name, discipline, role at agency, on-line, in-person training and the date the training was taken.

Independent Providers- please send Denise your name, discipline, role (i.e., Independent Provider), indicate whether you took the training on line or in person and the date you took the training.

Mandatory in person attendance is required for Medicaid Compliance Officers, School Business Officials, PPS/Special Education Directors, and Medicaid Billing Clerks. All other relevant employees must attend either an online or in person session. Contact Cindi Sands at Monroe RIC

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585-349-9052 with any question you may have regarding “relevant employees”.

Please note: when you register and you select “Monroe County” the next screen asks you to identify what agency you work for. There is an “other” selection. If you do not see your agency listed or you are an Independent Provider, please select “other” and **write in the name of your agency or Independent Provider.**

Action: AMS will provide info regarding the on-line training once it becomes available.

Other

Follow up to ECDI meeting. There is a Parent Leadership Institute training coming up.

Action: Ann Marie will email out more information.

Please send the credentials of your staff to Denise Edelman’s attention

dedelman@monroecounty.gov

April is the Month of the Young Child. March is Autism Awareness month. March 21st is World Down Syndrome Day. Cam’s Pizza will donate 20% of sales today to Flower City Down Syndrome. See Nancy Consul re coupons.

Pre-School

Random Moment In Time Study

The state is asking counties to provide data. Providers will participate in the study. New York is one of 13 state participating. Ann Marie distributed Introduction to Medicaid Cost Based School Based Health Services.

Providers need to register using NPI# via EMED NE/Monroe RIC?????][Can Kinney do this? In the future let AMS know. Plan is for Ann Marie will receive an email 5 days prior to the RMTS quarterly process. Another reminder will be sent indicating need to respond within 24hours

Ann Marie will notify providers once she gets the emails. Providers have 5 days to complete. Two outcome of this will be 1) you will discover that the state owes you\$ and 2) you will discover that you owe the state \$. This study starts April 1st.

Contact PCG if needed at NYSSHSP@pcgus.com or (866) 912-2974.

Next Meeting: April 18th, 2012 @ Communication Center for Hearing & Speech, 2830 Baird Rd., Fairport, NY 14450 223-5090

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